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**Ruined His Brother's Home.** Hutchinson, Kan., Jan. 19.—Mr. Vanderpool, a teacher in the public schools of Arlington, seventeen miles from here, has resigned by request of the board. This action resulted from an investigation in which the fact of her intimacy with her brother-in-law, Dr. Vanderpool, was disclosed. Her husband has instituted proceedings for a divorce. She has gone home to her parents and the doctor is preparing to leave town on account of popular indignation.

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### THE RAILROAD WORLD.

The Railroads in Mexico—Trains Lighted by Electricity.

Items of Interest Picked Up by "Bazoo" Detectives—Local Spikes.

#### RAILROADS IN MEXICO.

"A trip into Mexico will be found interesting by Americans. In the past five or six years the country has been pierced by a number of directions by new railroads so that traveling in that ancient land is now rapid and convenient."

These remarks were made to reporter by S. W. Eccles, the new freight representative of the Union Pacific road. For two years past Mr. Eccles has represented the Southern Pacific company in the city of Mexico.

"Last year," said he, "800 miles of railroad were built in Mexico. The Mexican International built 400 miles of track. This is the road owned by Stanford and Huntington, and they constructed it without any government bounty, being the first to do so."

"On this road lies the first coal mine ever operated in Mexico. Coal from it is now being shipped all over the country, and the effect has been to reduce the price of coal in the city of Mexico from \$22 per ton to \$15."

"The Mexican National road laid 300 miles of track, making a new line direct from Laredo, Tex., to the City of Mexico. The road now has about 1,200 miles of narrow gauge track, and it was built under the Palmer-Sullivan concession. English capital controls it. The Mexican Central has just completed a branch 100 miles long to Irapuata Guadalupe, a city of 200,000 inhabitants."

"This company has 1,400 miles of track, reaching south from El Paso, Tex. It is engaged in building a branch line 250 miles long from Aguas Calientes to Tampico, on the Gulf of Mexico. This will create a new route into the country from Europe. There is a good harbor at Tampico. This road was built by Boston capitalists, but its bonds are now held in England."

"The road that does the heaviest business in the Mexican railway, which runs from Vera Cruz to the City of Mexico, a distance of 280 miles. It is too soon to have an opposition line, the Inter-oceanic company now being engaged in building a narrow-gauge line between the same point. When completed, the latter company will have about 400 miles of road. Both of these companies are controlled by Englishmen."

"As yet there is no road running west across the country to the Pacific coast, but several lines have been projected."

#### ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

The new system of lighting trains by electricity was inaugurated by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad Friday. The handsome vestibule trains run by that company between Chicago and St. Paul have been fitted up with numerous incandescent lamps supplied by a dynamo placed in the forward end of the baggage car, operated by steam from the locomotive. Each car has a storage battery of three hours' capacity, which, when exhausted, is easily refilled by a pumping process from the inexhaustible source of supply, so that there is really no limit to the duration of the lights while the engine is attached to the train. The system was put in operation simultaneously at both ends of the route last evening, on the train leaving St. Louis at 5:30 p. m. and on the one leaving St. Paul for Chicago at 7:30. It was pronounced a great success by the large number of people who inspected the trains prior to their departure. Now that these trains are lighted by electricity and heated by steam from the engine, they are as near perfection and as absolutely free from danger by fire as modern ingenuity has been able to make them.

#### NEW TIME CARD.

The Missouri Pacific has issued time table No. 71, which went into effect at midnight last night. Under the new table, trains arrive at the union depot as follows:

Going west—No. 1, 3:25 p. m.; No. 3, 3:15 a. m.; No. 5, 3:15 p. m.; No. 7, (fast mail) 8:15 a. m.; No. 9, (Texas and Colorado express) 4:55 a. m.

Going east—No. 2, 12:40 p. m.; No. 4, 12:01 a. m.; No. 6, 10:50 a. m.

The Lexington branch trains leave here at 3:55 p. m., returning at 10:30 a. m. The mixed train on this branch will leave Sedalia at 5:30 a. m., returning at 5:30 p. m. The Sedalia, Warsaw and Southern train leaves here at 9:05 a. m. and returns at 5:30 p. m.

#### SPIKES.

—Depot Master Carnes is still suffering with neuralgia.

—The last spike, made of silver, was driven on the Lookout Mountain road yesterday afternoon.

—Dilley & Son have secured a renewal of their lease of the M., K. & T. foundry at Parsons for another year.

—C. S. Minor, of the general freight department, of the M., K. & T., went to Kansas City on business yesterday.

—J. J. Alexander, of the M., K. & T. ticket and freight office at Greenville, Texas, was in the city yesterday.

—Washington, Jan. 19.—General Railway Mail Superintendent Bancroft to-day started on a general tour of inspection.

—A notice has been posted at the union depot forbidding persons without business to loiter about the waiting rooms and platforms.

—The two night passenger trains have been taken off the Lexington Branch and commencing to-day mixed trains will be substituted in their stead.

—Judge Gresham has authorized the expenditure of \$80,000 for new rails for the Wabash, and three new postal cars are to be built.

—The financial receiver of a lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers at Newark, Ohio, has been arrested on a charge of embezzling the funds of the lodge.

—P. M. Reade resigned his office of general baggage master of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas yesterday. General Passenger Agent Meslier has appointed W. W. Campbell as acting general baggage master.

—James G. Blaine, jr., in order to obtain as good an idea as possible of the power of locomotion in a practical workshop, has begun work as an apprentice in the shops of the Maine Central.

—A meeting of the Colorado Association, passenger department, has been called at Kansas City for Monday next. There are several rate matters to adjust and the St. Louis lines interested will be fully represented.

—The BAZOO acknowledges the receipt of a number of elegantly printed and illustrated volumes of "Summer Excursion Rates" and handbooks of the Pennsylvania railroad. Copies may be had on application at this office. The are invaluable to those contemplating a summer tour in the north or east.

—The Missouri Pacific is shipping an average of 100 cars of grain per day to St. Louis, which are presumably destined for the south, yet the amount is somewhat larger than the New Orleans market can easily store, and it is probable a fair proportion will find its way to the eastern markets.

—The traffic association is still in session at Kansas City and is likely to continue in its work for several days. It will be two weeks at least before the traffic sheet can be issued, providing it is possible to issue a joint sheet. The members are hard at work, but have made but little progress, the work is so full of details. No change in rates is contemplated, but a uniform rate given. Mr. J. W. Allen, assistant general freight agent at the general office here, represents the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway.

#### SNOW FOR SUNDAY.

That is What the Western Bureau Promises us To-day.

Washington, January 19.—For Missouri—Rain, changing to snow in northern portions, warmer southeasterly winds becoming variable.

For Nebraska—Snow, followed Sunday in western portions by fair, colder, preceded in eastern portions by rising temperature, winds variable.

For Kansas—Snow, warmer winds becoming variable.

For Kansas—Local rains or snow, colder, preceded in eastern portion by rising temperature, variable winds becoming generally north.

#### A RAILROAD SINKS.

Two Hundred Yards of Land Gives Way Beneath The Tracks.

Milthian, Texas, Jan. 19.—Great excitement has been caused here by the sinking near the Union depot, without apparent cause, of a strip of territory 200 yards long over which runs the Fort Worth and New Orleans railroad. Thursday afternoon rumbling sounds were heard and shortly afterward the strip of ground began sinking gradually and within a few hours seemed to be getting out of sight. The railroad called a construction train into service and had forty car loads of gravel placed in an effort to raise the grade, but by night the gravel had sunk three feet below the original level of the road and trains could not get to the depot. Some think the sink has been caused by a subterranean river and the railroad people are investigating it.

#### Missouri's State Affairs.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 19.—Governor Francis has appointed John Morrison, of Howard county, as warden of the penitentiary, and the appointment has been confirmed by the senate.

It is stated that Governor Francis does not intend to make any change in the office of recorder of voters in Kansas City until the term of Mr. Hope expires.

The Deering saloon bill was introduced in the house yesterday. It raises the minimum license in cities of the first class to \$3,000; second class \$2,500; third, \$2,000; fourth, \$1,500.

Mr. Garnett has been added to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Garnett's bill creating two additional circuit judges for Kansas City will be favorably reported on Monday. It has been amended by the reduction of the term of office from four to two years.

The senate has seated Mr. Spengler, of Clark county, although the seat was contested by his democratic opponent, Mr. Cherry.

#### The Kansas City Court Bill.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 19.—Mr. Garnett's house bill creating two additional circuit judges in Kansas City has been considered by the judiciary committee and will be reported favorably Monday, amended so as to provide that the governor shall appoint the new judges for two instead of four years, as originally provided by the bill.

#### The Spry Gentleman of 79.

Macon City, Ia., Jan. 19.—A. C. Owen, 79 years of age, who recently challenged any man of his age to a forty-rod foot race and to crack his heels three times in the air in the final leap, means business. He has now made the challenge open to the world, the race to be run here in June next. Four 79ers from different localities have already been heard from.

### A BIG SCANDAL.

Society at Omaha Stirred to Its Depths Over an Elopement.

Omaha, January 19.—[Special]—Certain circles of Omaha society are just now all broken up over the pranks of a 17-year-old belle, the daughter of Gottlob Zimmerman, proprietor of the Omaha branch of the Faust Bottling company. The daughter, Miss Louise, has for some time been the fiancée and avowed lover of Otto Maurer, a well-known society man, and great preparations for the coming nuptials have been in course for the past week or more. In the employ of Zimmerman has been, for the past year, one Christopher Doering, who drove a delivery wagon. Doering struck Omaha a tramp of the trampiest kind. Zimmerman took him to the bath tub, supplied him with food and clothing, made him a member of the family and set him to work. Yesterday afternoon Doering and Miss Louise left Omaha together, went to Council Bluffs and endeavored to secure a marriage license; failing, they went to Plattsmouth where they were missed. Search was made for them but the trail was lost at Plattsmouth. Detectives are now in active pursuit of a clue. The Zimmerman family are heart-broken and their social circle is in the throes of deep indignation and humiliation over the unaccountable conduct of its queen.

#### HADES IN HAYTI.

A Gunboat Runs Down An American Vessel.

Prompt Action Taken By American War Vessels—A Critical Situation.

Port au Prince, Hayti, Jan. 3.—The steamship Haytien Republic was run into by the Haytien gunboat Nonvelle Volodrouge on the night of December 30, inflicting no serious damage to either vessel. The Haytien gunboat was entering the harbor at full speed, and could have seemed to her anchorage without any change of course, but when within 200 yards of the Haytien Republic, her helm was suddenly put to port and remained so until she struck that vessel. Then her engines were reversed, and she backed to a distance of 200 yards. She then again steamed at full speed until a short distance from the Haytien Republic, when her course was slightly changed, thus just missing her. The gunboat was hailed both times, but no answer was made, neither did her captain attempt to ascertain the amount of damage she had done or offer assistance. After ascertaining the amount of damage done, the Galena sent out an armed boat's crew to the offending vessel, where a statement was made that jamming of the tiller ropes was the cause of the collision. It is the opinion that it was a deliberate attempt to sink the released ship. It is a question whether the scheme was originated by a higher authority than the captain of the gunboat.

The Galena's officers met next day and a demand for an investigation was made upon the Haytien government. These reports will be presented and redress demanded upon the return of the Galena from Kingston, Jamaica, on January 20, where she steamed on January 1 to coal and communicate by cable with the American government.

On December 29 Legitime offered to pay an indemnity of \$100,000 to the owners of the Haytien Republic. This will be accepted, one-half payable immediately and the remainder in installments. The released steamer was then at the request of E. L. Morse, the owner, turned over to him by Admiral Luce. A crew will be cabled for from Kingston, Jamaica, and she will return to New York about February 1, with a cargo of logwood. Admiral Luce has notified the Haytien government that he considered the blockade of all the northern ports voluntarily raised because of the desertion of their post thereat by all the Haytien blockading squadron. He wrote to Secretary Whitney that, in the case of the illegal seizure of any other American vessels, he would "demand their release at the cannon's mouth."

Legitime continues his arrest of all alleged conspirators, many being persons supposed to be his supporters. No organized conspiracy seems to have existed, but only individual dissatisfaction. Hypo-lyte remains encamped about twenty miles from Port au Prince, awaiting the overthrow of Legitime by his own people and the peaceful surrender of the city. By not using force he wishes to win the approval of the southern department in his candidacy for president.

The Galena reached Jamaica to-day, and reports all well on board.

Admiral Luce has telegraphed for two more ships at Port au Prince.

#### Fleeing From a Burning Lake.

Necker, Minn., Jan. 19.—A small lake near this place is burning and emitting a peculiar sulphuric odor. Those living near it are preparing to leave. Some think a great flow of oil has burst forth from a spring and that the oil has filled the lake and been accidentally set on fire. The lake is about 300 yards in diameter. It is feared by those in the vicinity that the woods may become ignited.

—The death of Dr. J. B. White, one of the oldest and wealthiest citizens of Marion county, occurred Tuesday.

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**HIS BLIND TIGER.** A Church Deacon Sold Liquor in His Cellar.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Jan. 19.—Thomas Cooper, a prominent citizen of Lehigh and a deacon of the Christian church, was arrested Thursday night by the vigilantes charged with violation of the prohibition law. He was turned over to the city authorities, pleaded guilty and was placed in the county jail here yesterday without bonds. Cooper conducted the business of illicit liquor selling in the basement of his residence.

**Advice to Mothers.** Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. S-S-0001&w1&

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#### Street Cars by Gas.

Kansas City, January 19.—[Special]—The Grand Avenue Street Railway company will be the first corporation in this city to use natural gas in its business. Mr. Walton H. Holmes, the president, recently contracted with Mr. J. F. Marks to furnish natural gas as a fuel for the railway company. It will be piped from a well at the corner of Twenty-fourth street and Tracy avenue. The work of laying pipe has already commenced. The power house is at the corner of Fifteenth street and Grand avenue, more than two miles from the gas well, and it will be some time before the pipes are all laid. Fuel for the railway company now costs \$1,200 a month. The gas will cost about one-half that sum. With gas no smoke consumer will be required.

—City Physician Hill, of Carthage, has handed in his resignation because the city council refused to allow him over 50 cents a visit, some of which were made at night.